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As a software professional of 13 years experience, I agree with Scott Rosenberg's statement in his article http://www.salon.com/tech/col/rose/2002/01/16/competition/index1.html. We cannot have reasonable improvement and innovation without competition in the operating system markets, and the current proposed settlement does not provide reasonable competition for Microsoft. As a repeat offender of the Anti-Trust laws, Microsoft needs to have it's APIs made public, and be itself forced to conform to them. Once that is done, Linux, FreeBSD, and other platforms can then be built to effectively compete with Microsoft.

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